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## Programme of meetings and agenda

### Official meetings

**Tuesday, 2 December 2003**

## Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Programme of work

Other matters

**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1343 (2001) concerning Liberia**

3 p.m.[1] . . . . . 22nd meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7

[1] The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested Members States of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

**Security Council**

The Presidency of the Security Council for the month of December 2003 (Bulgaria), will hold a briefing to the Press on the programme of work for the month of December, *today*, 2 December 2003, following the consultations of the whole, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). Delegations can view the Press briefing in Studio 4 located in the First Basement.

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# General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. 66th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. 67th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Question of Palestine [38]

   (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/58/35)

   (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/416)

   (c) Draft resolutions (A/58/L.23, A/58/L.24, A/58/L.25 and A/58/L.26/Rev.1)

2. The situation in the Middle East [37]

   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/278 and A/58/416)

   (b) Draft resolutions (A/58/L.27 and A/58/L.28)

## Main Committees

### Second Committee

3–3.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 3

Informal consultations, convened by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury, Chairman of the Second Committee, on the organization of work of the Second Committee

### Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 131 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/58/269, A/58/366, A/58/367, A/58/368, A/58/550, A/58/597, A/58/554 and A/58/605)); and 132 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/58/226, A/58/368, A/58/288, A/58/593, A/58/449 and A/58/605))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: consideration of a draft resolution)

**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on "From the Optical Disk System to the Official Documents System (ODS): states of implementation and evaluation"
2. Programme budget implications: Oceans and law of the sea

# Economic and Social Council

**United Nations Children's Fund**

**Executive Board**
Extraordinary budget session for 2003

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 3rd meeting Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. 4th meeting Conference Room 2

1. Intercountry programmes (E/ICEF/2003/P/L.29) [5]

   *Conclusion of discussion*

2. Biennial support budget 2004-2005 (E/ICEF/2003/AB/L.14) [4]

   *Consideration of draft decision E/ICEF/2003/CRP.21*

   Other matters. [6]

   Closure of session [7]

# General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

**Informal consultations on agenda item 47 (Follow up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS)**

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS" (agenda item 47), organized under the auspices of the Office of the President of the General Assembly and facilitated by H.E. Mr. Denis Dangue Réwaka, Permanent Representative of Gabon to the United Nations

**Informal consultations on agenda item 40 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)**

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 8

Informal consultations (closed) on draft proposals under agenda item 40, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg)

# General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

## Second Committee

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.26 entitled "Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005" (agenda item 94 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Croatia)*

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 6

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.34 entitled "Third United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries" (agenda item 102) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Belgium)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

*Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.8 entitled "International Decade for Action 'Water for Life', 2005-2015" (agenda 95) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Room S-2963 D

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.17 entitled "International financial system and development" (agenda item 91 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

*Informal "informals" on the draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.27 entitled "Women in development" (agenda item 93 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)*

11.30 a.m.–1.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.41 entitled "Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence" (agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)*

1–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.19 entitled "Cybersecurity and the protection of critical information infrastructures" (agenda item 91 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic)*

1–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

*Informal "informals" on the draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.3 entitled "Programme of Action for the International Year of Microcredit, 2005" (agenda item 98) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

*Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.7 entitled "Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa", and A/C.2/58/L.15 entitled "International Year of Deserts and Desertification, 2004" (agenda item 94 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria)*

1.30–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.30 entitled "Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States" (agenda item 94 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)*

2.30–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

*Informal "informals" on draft resolutions A/C.2/58/L.39 entitled "High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development", and A/C.2/58/L.40 entitled "Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development" (agenda item 104) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Cameroon)*

3.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.38 entitled "Commodities" (agenda item 91 (g)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guyana)*

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

*Informal "informals" on draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.18 entitled "External debt crisis and development" (agenda item 91 (e)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)*

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Room C-209B

## Other meetings

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**Tuesday, 2 December 2003**

**Group of 77** *(trade and development; and globalization)*

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

**Group of 77** *(financing for development)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

**Group of 77** *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

**JUSCANZ Group** *(on Second Committee matters)*

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

**UNITAR seminar on "The Use of Local Energy Resources for Local Purposes: Natural Gas and Rural Poverty"**

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (agenda item 40) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy (on behalf of the European Union))**

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

## Press conferences

*The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.*

**Tuesday, 2 December 2003**

*Room S-226*

12.30 p.m. H.E. Mr. Julian Robert Hunte (Saint Lucia), President of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly (to announce the recipients of the United Nations Prize in the field of human rights)

1.15 p.m. H.E. Mr. Stefan Tafrov (Bulgaria), President of the Security Council for December (on the programme of work for the month)

## Forthcoming official meetings

# General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

**Second Committee**

The Second Committee will hold informal consultations on Thursday, 4 December 2003 at 10 a.m., and its final plenary meetings on Friday, 5 December 2003, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

**Fifth Committee**

The Fifth Committee will hold its 24th meeting on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, immediately followed by informal consultations (closed) in Conference Room 5.

**Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, *at 10 a.m.* in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

**Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the 2004 Programmes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the 2004 Programmes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva on Monday, 8 December 2003, at 10 a.m. in Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations.

## Other forthcoming meetings

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**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International assistance and cooperation with the Alliance for the Sustainable Development of Central America" (agenda item 40 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Panama (on behalf of the Central American Group))**

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International assistance and cooperation with the Alliance for the Sustainable Development of Central America" (agenda item 40 (b)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Panama (on behalf of the Central American Group), will be held on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, from 9.30 to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

**Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (agenda item 40 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)**

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (agenda item 40 (a)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

**UNITAR/OLA seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties**

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, 3 and 4 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (agenda item 22) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy (on behalf of the European Union))**

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (agenda item 22), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy (on behalf of the European Union), will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 3 December 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E; and Friday, 5 December, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

**Group of 77** *(at the ambassadorial level)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

**Joint Government of Finland–UNDP seminar on combating corruption**

There will be a joint Government of Finland–UNDP seminar on combating corruption on Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8. For further information, please contact Ms. Magdy Martinez-Soliman (tel. 1 (212) 906-6384; e-mail magdy.martinez-soliman@undp.org); or Mr. Patrick Lally (tel. 1 (212) 906-6633; e-mail patrick.lally@undp.org).

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (agenda item 40) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy (on behalf of the European Union))**

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (agenda item 40), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy (on behalf of the European Union), on the following dates: Thursday, 4 December, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D; and Friday, 5 December, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

**Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ethiopia)**

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (agenda item 39 (a)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Ethiopia, on Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

**UNITAR/WTO workshop on international trade negotiations**

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of the international trade series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Monday, 8 December, to Wednesday, 10 December 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 1 (212) 963-9196).

**Informal briefing on the outcome of the Third Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD III)**

There will be an informal briefing by Mr. Masaharu Kohno, Director-General for Sub-Saharan Africa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Japan, on the outcome of the Third Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD III). The briefing, organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa and the Permanent Mission of Japan, will take place on Monday, 8 December 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Mieko Ikegame (tel. 1 (212) 963-1937; e-mail ikegame@un.org).

**JUSCANZ Group** *(on Second Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)* on Tuesday, 9 December 2003, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

## Announcements

**Security Council** — **Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

**Preparations for the forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women**

In preparation for the forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (1-12 March 2004), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following thematic issues that will be taken up by the Commission: (a) Women's equal participation in conflict prevention, management and conflict resolution and in post-conflict peace building; and (b) The role of men and boys in achieving gender equality. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1246; and/or email zakharova@un.org), no later than 9 January 2004, indicating the panel for which the experts(s) is (are) being nominated.

**Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society**

On the occasion of the World Summit on the Information Society, the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues is organizing a major parallel conference, the Global Forum of Indigenous Peoples and the Information Society, to be held in Geneva from 8 to 11 December 2003. Information regarding the proposed agenda and programme of work is available at www.un.org/esa/socdev/pfii/. Delegations of Member States wishing to register may contact Mr. John G. Scott, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail scott9@un.org).

## Summary of meetings

**Friday, 28 November 2003**

# General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

## Main Committees

### Third Committee

59th meeting

*Promotion and protection of the rights of children* . . . . . [113]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.28*

The Committee continued its consideration of the draft resolution.

The representative of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts informed the Committee that the programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/58/L.84 also applied to the oral revisions made to the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia and Gabon.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 106 to 21, with 29 abstentions.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of Gabon, Guinea-Bissau, Nigeria, the United Kingdom (also on behalf of Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland and Sweden), the United States, Japan, Uganda, Canada, Mexico and Switzerland.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of Norway, Venezuela, Liechtenstein, Portugal, Slovenia and Gabon.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1 (and amendments thereto: A/C.3/58/L.83)*

The representative of Benin made a statement, in the course of which she orally corrected draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1 and announced that Algeria, Cape Verde, Malawi and Swaziland had withdrawn as sponsors, and that Haiti and the United States of America had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Bangladesh also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of New Zealand made a statement and orally revised amendment 6 in document A/C.3/58/L.83, on behalf of the sponsors.

The representative of Lesotho withdrew as a sponsor of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1.

At the request of the representative of Benin, the Committee voted on the amendments contained in document A/C.3/58/L.83.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States, Egypt, Guinea-Bissau, Benin (who also announced that Myanmar had joined in sponsoring draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1), Chile, Switzerland, Guatemala, Fiji, El Salvador, Sierra Leone, Nepal, Egypt, the Sudan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Committee accepted amendment 1 for incorporation into the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 72 to 54, with 25 abstentions.

The representative of Benin made a statement.

The Committee then accepted amendments 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 (as revised) for incorporation into the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 77 to 48, with 26 abstentions.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lebanon, Sierra Leone, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Guinea-Bissau and Rwanda.

The representative of Guinea subsequently stated that his delegation would have voted against the amendments.

Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, China, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominica, Egypt, Eritrea, Gabon, Guinea, Haiti, Madagascar, Myanmar, the Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Qatar, Senegal, Sierra Leone and the United States of America withdrew as sponsors of the draft resolution, as amended.

A procedural discussion followed in which statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Egypt, Pakistan, El Salvador, Sierra Leone, Guinea-Bissau, Benin, Fiji, Myanmar, Italy, Malaysia, Costa Rica, Trinidad and Tobago and Mexico.

The representative of Egypt moved that no action be taken on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1, as amended.

Procedural points were raised by the representatives of Benin, Sierra Leone, Pakistan, New Zealand and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Following a ruling by the Chairman, the Committee voted on the motion to take no action on the draft resolution, as amended. The motion was carried, by a recorded vote of 66 to 63, with 13 abstentions.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of Benin, Fiji, Sierra Leone, Nepal and the Sudan.

*Comprehensive Implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action* . . . . . [115 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.34*

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions related to the draft resolution.

The representative of Morocco further orally revised the draft resolution and informed the Committee that Mexico had joined as co-sponsor of the draft resolution.

The representative of Italy made a statement

The representative of the United States made a statement

Subsequently, operative paragraph 31 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 105 to 40, with 8 abstentions.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as a whole, as further orally revised, by a recorded vote of 155 to 2, with 2 abstentions.

Statements in explanations of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Israel.

The representative of Morocco made a statement.

*Oral decision*

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of documents A/58/18 and A/58/324.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 115 as a whole.

60th meeting *Promotion and protection of the rights of children*. . . . . [113]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.29/Rev.1*

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions related to the draft resolution.

The representative of Italy made a statement, on behalf of the sponsors and announced that Andorra, Armenia, Canada, Eritrea, Liechtenstein, Namibia, Norway, the Philippines, the Republic of Moldova, San Marino and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, and that Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados and Guyana had withdrawn as sponsors.

Albania, Bhutan, Bolivia, Burundi, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Kazakhstan, Japan, Lesotho, Mauritius, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, New Zealand, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, Switzerland, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Zambia and Zimbabwe also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Singapore requested a vote on operative paragraph 26 (b) and on the words "corporal punishment" in operative paragraph 41 (c) of the draft resolution.

Statements before the vote on operative paragraph 26 (b) were made by the representatives of Barbados, Guyana and Nigeria.

The Committee retained operative paragraph 26 (b), by a recorded vote of 117 to 10, with 23 abstentions.

The representative of Sierra Leone made a statement after the vote.

The representative of Brazil stated that his vote on operative paragraph 26 (b) had registered as an abstention instead of in favour.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on the words "corporal punishment" in operative paragraph 41 (c) of the draft resolution. The words were retained, by a recorded vote of 123 to 6, with 24 abstentions.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea and Pakistan.

The representative of Suriname stated that she had intended to vote in favour on both paragraphs.

The Committee then engaged in a procedural discussion, in which statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland, Egypt, the Sudan, Liechtenstein, Costa Rica, the Niger, the United States (who also announced that her delegation had requested a vote on the draft resolution as a whole), Italy, Pakistan and Trinidad and Tobago.

Statements before the vote on the draft resolution were made by the representatives of Bangladesh, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Sudan, Italy (on behalf of the European Union and its acceding countries), the Gambia, Malaysia and Nigeria.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.29/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 159 to one.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of Singapore, the United States, Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Niger, Trinidad and Tobago, the Netherlands, Italy, Belgium, Australia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Uruguay, the Gambia, Poland, Brazil, Malaysia, Liechtenstein and Saudi Arabia.

The Chairman responded to points raised.

*Draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.71*

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme implications.

The representative of Mexico made a statement, in the course of which she revised the draft resolution and announced that El Salvador, Japan, the Sudan and Timor-Leste had joined as sponsors, and that Spain had withdrawn as a sponsor.

Albania, Bolivia and Ethiopia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as revised.

At the request of the representative of India, the Committee voted on operative paragraphs 10 and 11 of the draft resolution (as revised). The paragraphs were adopted, by a recorded vote of 136 to 1, with 15 abstentions.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of the Niger, Mexico, India and Spain.

A procedural discussion ensued, in which the representatives of Switzerland, Belgium, Mexico, Egypt, Guinea, the Czech Republic, Malaysia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Chile and Sierra Leone made statements.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as a whole, by a recorded vote of 157 to none, with 1 abstention.

Before the vote on the draft resolution, the representative of Egypt made a statement.

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Pakistan, Liechtenstein and Colombia.

*Draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1*

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic stated that her vote on the motion by Egypt, at the 59th meeting of the Committee, should have been recorded as being in favour of the motion, instead of against.

The representative of Benin made a statement.

**Monday, 1 December 2003**

# General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

65th plenary meeting

*Question of Palestine* . . . . . [38]

*(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/58/35)*

*(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/416)*

*(c) Draft resolutions (A/58/L.23, A/58/L.24, A/58/L.25 and A/58/L.26/Rev.1)*

H.E. Mr. Papa Louis Fall, Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolutions A/58/L.23, A/58/L.24, A/58/L.25 and A/58/L.26/Rev.1.

H.E. Mr. Víctor Camilleri, Rapporteur of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced the report of the Committee (A/58/35).

H.E. Mr. Farouk Kaddoumi, Head of the observer delegation of Palestine, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union and of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), Algeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Tunisia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Bangladesh, India, Egypt and the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

*Programme of work*

The President informed members that document A/INF/58/4/Rev.2 containing a revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings for the main part of the fifty-eighth session had been issued that morning. He also informed the Assembly that the lists of speakers for the items listed in document A/INF/58/4/Rev.2 were open.

## Main Committees

### Third Committee

61st meeting

*Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms* . . . . . [117 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

*Draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.75*

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions related to the draft resolution.

Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Iceland, New Zealand and Slovakia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Following a statement by the representative of Cambodia, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The representative of Guatemala made a statement.

*Oral decision by the Chairman*

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of documents A/58/121, A/58/275, A/58/276, A/58/279 and A/58/380.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

*Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives* . . . . . [117 (c)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.68/Rev.1*

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to programme budget implications on the draft resolution, which were contained in document A/C.3/58/L.82.

The representative of Myanmar made a statement.

The Secretary read out amendments to the revised draft resolution.

Iceland joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as further orally revised, without a vote.

Statements after the adoption of the draft resolution were made by the representatives of China, India, Thailand, Viet Nam, Nepal and Cuba.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.79/Rev.1*

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions related to the draft resolution.

The representative of Italy informed the Committee that Australia, Canada, Japan, Liechtenstein and Romania should be added to the list of co-sponsors.

Andorra and Switzerland joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Uganda requested a separate vote on preambular paragraph 4 of the draft resolution.

Preambular paragraph 4 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 82 to 4, with 75 abstentions.

The representative of Egypt (also on behalf of China, Dominica, Kuwait, Malaysia, Myanmar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Swaziland, the Sudan, Nigeria and the United Arab Emirates) requested a separate vote on operative paragraphs 3 (b) and 6 (e) of the draft resolution.

The representatives of Italy and Egypt made statements.

Operative paragraphs 3 (b) and 6 (e) were adopted, by a recorded vote of 73 to 50, with 35 abstentions.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Singapore, Lebanon, Qatar and Italy.

The representative of the United States orally proposed amendments to operative paragraph 6 (g).

Amendments to paragraph 6 (g) were rejected, by a recorded vote of 2 to 93, with 55 abstentions.

Statements regarding a ruling by the Chairman were made by the representatives of Liechtenstein, Chile, Brazil, Italy, Switzerland, the Sudan, Egypt and Guatemala.

The Chairman made his ruling on the application of rule 129.

The representative of Liechtenstein appealed against the ruling by the Chairman.

The appeal was put to the vote and the ruling of the Chairman was upheld.

The voting was as follows: in favour of the appeal, 70; against the appeal, 82; with no abstentions.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.79/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 74 to 3, with 85 abstentions.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Rwanda and Uganda.

Statements after the vote were made by the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United States, Myanmar and Belarus.

Statements on procedure were made by the representatives of New Zealand, Australia, the Gambia, Switzerland, Nigeria, Mali, Egypt, the Niger, Italy, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Lesotho, Senegal, Chile, Iceland, Benin, the United States, the Sudan, Norway, Brazil, Pakistan, San Marino, Andorra, the Syrian Arab Republic, Rwanda, Jordan, Fiji and Saudi Arabia.

The representative of Rwanda made a statement.

62nd meeting

*Human rights questions: Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives* . . . . . [117 (c)]

*Oral decision*

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of documents A/58/218, A/58/334, A/58/338, A/58/379, A/58/421 and A/58/448.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 117 (c).

*Human rights questions: Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights* . . . . . [117 (e)]

*Oral decision*

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of document A/58/36.

*Promotion and protection of the rights of children* . . . . . [113]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Oral decision by the Chairman*

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of document A/58/329.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

*Draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23/Rev.1*

Statements regarding action taken on the draft resolution at the 59th meeting of the Committee were made by the representatives of Benin and Nepal.

The Chairman responded to points raised.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 113.

*Report of the Economic and Social Council* . . . . . [12]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

*Document A/C.3/58/L.80*

The Secretary of the Committee introduced and orally revised the document, which was then adopted.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Ethiopia, Italy and Malaysia.

*Oral draft decision*

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of the report of the Economic and Social Council, contained in document A/58/3 (Parts I and II), in particular chapters I, III, V, VII (sections B, C and I) and chapter IX, which were allotted to the Third Committee.

The representatives of El Salvador and New Zealand made statements.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 12.

*Conclusion of the Third Committee*

The Chairman made a concluding statement.

The representative of the United Kingdom made a statement.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Chairman declared the work of the Third Committee for the main part of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly concluded.

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**Fifth Committee**

23rd meeting

*Strengthening of the United Nations system* . . . . . [59]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

*Note by the Secretary-General on improvements to current process of planning and budgeting*

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/58/600).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/58/610).

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Venezuela, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), the United States, Egypt and Jordan.

The Controller replied to questions raised.

*Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005* . . . . . [121]

*Report of the Secretary-General on measures pertaining to the administration and management of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/58/569 and A/58/7/Add.12)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion on this question.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada).

The Officer-in-Charge of the Economic, Social and Human Rights Service, Office of the Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

*Organization of work*

The Chairman made a statement.

**Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People**

*International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People*

276th meeting

The Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The President of the Security Council made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of Palestine read out a message from Mr. Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and President of the Palestinian Authority.

The Chairman of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories made a statement.

The representative of Malaysia read a message from the Prime Minister of Malaysia, in his capacity as Chairman of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran read a message from the Iranian Foreign Minister, in his capacity as Chairman of the Thirtieth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

The representative of Mozambique read a message from the President of Mozambique, in his capacity as Chairman of the African Union.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Palestine Affairs of the League of Arab States read a message from the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States.

Ms. Phyllis Bennis made a statement, on behalf of the International Coordinating Network on Palestine.

Messages on the occasion were received from the Heads of State of the following countries: Afghanistan, Algeria, Brazil, Chile, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Guinea, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Namibia, Pakistan, Qatar, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen and Zambia.

Messages were received from the Heads of Government of the following countries: Cambodia, China, Grenada, India, Malta and Thailand.

Messages were received from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the following countries: Argentina, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Japan, Romania, Syrian Arab Republic and Ukraine.

A message was received from the Government of Guyana.

Messages were received from the Chairman of the Commission of the African Union, the European Union and the Secretary-General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

A message was received from the Committee for Israeli-Palestinian Dialogue, a non-governmental organization.

A statement was made by the Head of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

A concluding statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

## Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

*International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966*

*Objection to the declaration made by Turkey upon ratification:* Cyprus (26 November 2003)[1]

*International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 16 December 1966*

*Objection to the declarations made by Turkey upon ratification:* Cyprus (26 November 2003)[1]

*International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990*

*Ratification:* Burkina Faso (26 November 2003)[1]

*Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 10 October 1980*

*Accession:* Burkina Faso (26 November 2003)[1]

*Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995*

*Consent to be bound:* Burkina Faso (26 November 2003)[1]

*Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996*

*Consent to be bound:* Burkina Faso (26 November 2003)[1]

*Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 21 December 2001*

*Accession:* Burkina Faso (26 November 2003)[1]

*United Nations Convention Against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003*

**Opening for signature**

The above Convention was adopted on 31 October 2003, during the plenary meeting of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

The Convention will be open for signature from 9 to 11 December 2003 at the "Centro de Convenciones y Exposiciones Yucatán Siglo XXI" in Mérida, Mexico, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 9 December 2005 by all States and by regional economic integration organizations, provided that at least one Member State of such organization is a signatory to the Convention.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in the possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers by *4 December 2003* to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Original instruments of full powers should be provided to the depositary representative at the signature ceremony.

## Other announcements

### International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

*Exhibit*

The Palestinian cultural exhibit entitled "Palestine: Reflections of Resilience and Hope" will be displayed until Monday, 15 December 2003, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

*Screening of film*

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of the film "Crossing Kalandia," which can be viewed at the exhibit area as of *today*, 2 December, until Monday, 15 December 2003, during exhibit hours.

**Women's International Forum**

The topic of the next meeting of the Women's International Forum, to be held on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, will be "The Current Situation in Afghanistan".

**Launch of the report *Portfolio of Mine Action Projects 2004***

The report *Portfolio of Mine Action Projects 2004*, will be launched by the Mine Action Service, Department of Peacekeeping Operations, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Development Programme, on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, at 11.15 a.m. at the Henry Labouisse Hall, located on the B-1 level of UNICEF House. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

**Event on the occasion of the observance of the International Day of Disabled Persons (3 December 2003)**

In observance of the International Day of Disabled Persons, there will be a seminar, co-sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Ecuador, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and Disabled Peoples' International, on Wednesday, 3 December 2003, from 1 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The opening of an exhibit of art by persons with disabilities will follow in the Visitors' Lobby. For more information, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/enable.

**DPI/NGO briefing**

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Focus on Children: The Impact of Rights-Based Strategies." The briefing will be held on Thursday, 4 December 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

**Event on the occasion of the observance of the Tenth Anniversary of the International Year of the Family**

On the occasion of the observance of the Tenth Anniversary of the International Year of the Family, there will be a High-level Seminar on the Family, organized by the IYF+10 Committee, in collaboration with the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the Permanent Mission of the United States, on Thursday, 4 December 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representative of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

**Chairmen of regional groups**

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of December 2003 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*
South Africa
H.E. Mr. Dumisani Shadrack Kumalo

*Asian States:*
Japan
H.E. Mr. Koichi Haraguchi

*Eastern European States:*
Republic of Modova
H.E. Mr. Vsevolod Grigore

*Latin American and Caribbean States:*
Dominica
H.E. Mr. Crispin Gregoire

*Western European and other States:*
France
H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc de La Sablière

**Web sites**

*President of the General Assembly:*
www.un.org/ga/president

*General Assembly:*
www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/
www.un.org/ga

*Presidency of the Security Council:*
www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/

*Security Council:*
www.un.org/sc

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:*
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373
www.un.org/russian/documen/scdocs/committees/1373
www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

*Economic and Social Council:*
www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc

*Italian presidency of the European Union:*
www. un.org
http://europa-eu-un.org

*Department of Economic and Social Affairs:*
www.un.org/esa

*Journal of the United Nations:*
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ar/latesta.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ch/latestc.pdf
www.un.org/Docs/journal/En/lateste.pdf
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| A/58/PV.53 | Meeting held on 3 November 2003, 3 p.m. [E] |
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| A/58/L.18/Add.1 | Item 52 (b) — Oceans and the law of the sea: sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments — 43-Power draft resolution — Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments [A C E F R S] |
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| A/58/L.30 | Item 26 — The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development — 6-Power draft resolution — United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala [A C E F R S] |
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**Ad Hoc Expert Group on Approaches and Mechanisms for Monitoring, Assessment and Reporting**

E/CN.18/AC.1/2003/2 Item 4 of the provisional agenda — Tasks of the Expert Group — Approaches and mechanisms for monitoring, assessment and reporting — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]

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